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For: DATA STORAGE-ENCRYPTION-RETRIEVAL DEVICES AND METHODS WITH RESULTING BUSINESS PROCESSES

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application with the following documents:

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_____ Request for Extension of Time and fee are enclosed;

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Sir:

Please enter the following preliminary amendment:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please correct the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 14
to read as follows:

31 The Kohut U.S. Patent No. 5,742,035 discloses a method of
encrypting credit card PIN's using a 3 by 3 grid of preprinted
numbers placed on the credit card itself. The four numbers